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Applicant : George S. Muschler

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For : APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR

HARVESTING BONE MARROW

Group Art Unit : 5912

Examiner : Rene T. Towa

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AMENDMENT

Madam:

In response to the Office Action dated January 24, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 16 of this paper.